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ABSTRACT

A ring seal assembly includes a rubber ring seal and a carrying frame which extends about a periphery of the ring seal. The carrying frame has mounting lugs which extend from the carrying frame and are embedded in the ring seal during molding of the seal. The ring seal can be handled and transported via the carrying frame and positioned for installation in a sealing end use application. The lugs are separable from the carrying frame with the application of a suitable braking force to enable selective detachment of the carrying frame from the ring seal.